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1. During an air raid in World War II, the Ploesti telephone installations were destroyed and communications to the other major towns as well as communications between Bucharest and towns north of Ploesti were interrupted (time unspecified). At that time all the lines passed through the Ploesti exchange, which, was located in the town.
2. In order to avoid similar experiences in future raids, the Rumanian Army requested that overhead by-pass lines should be constructed outside the town area. Construction started in May 1950, and it was expected that 120 to 140 tons of wire for lines would be required.
3. The Ploesti telephone service, which was responsible for the execution of the project, was not in a position to supply the amount of lines required. The larger Rumanian towns were instructed to contribute; Galati provided two tons of three mm. uninsulated wire.

#### 4. Telephone Lines from Coastal Defense Positions

In early 1951, all coastal defense positions in the Danube Delta were connected by overhead lines to a central exchange at Tulcea.

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